

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM

RFP NO. 05RFP42190YK

Due Date/Time: March 14, 2005 11:00 AM Legally Prevailing Time



PURCHASING CONTACT: NANCY HARRISON, CPPB, APA (404) 730-4201
QUESTION DEADLINE: March 4, 2005 3:00 PM

Jerome Noble, Director of Purchasing

NOTE TO VENDOR:

PLEASE RESPOND TO THE ATTACHED PROPOSAL. EVEN IF YOUR COMPANY'S RESPONSE IS A "NO-BID". COMPLETION OF THIS FORM IS NOT REQUIRED. IT IS OPTIONAL. WE ARE VERY INTERESTED IN ENSURING THAT OUR PROPOSALS ARE NON-RESTRICTIVE AND THAT NO PROPOSER IS ELIMINATED ARBITRARILY. IT IS THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO ABOLISH ANY AND ALL BARRIERS TO ITS' PROCUREMENT PROCESS WHICH PREVENTS INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED PROPOSERS FROM PARTICIPATING.

SHOULD YOU RESPOND WITH A "NON-BID", PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY.

EXAMPLES ARE:

- (1) OUR COMPANY CANNOT MEET THESE SPECIFICATIONS BECAUSE YOU REQUIRE:

- (2) OUR COMPANY CAN NOT COMPETITIVELY BID ON THIS PRODUCT OR SERVICE BECAUSE:

- (3) OTHER:

YOUR RESPONSE WILL BE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION AND INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL FILE WITH OTHER VENDOR COMMENTS. IF IT APPEARS, FROM THE FEEDBACK RECEIVED, THAT THE SPECIFICATIONS ARE RESTRICTIVE YOUR INPUT WILL HELP THE COUNTY MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES SO THAT A GREATER NUMBER OF INTERESTED BIDDERS ARE INCLUDED, YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED, IT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS REQUIREMENTS

Fulton County Purchasing Department is soliciting Requests for Proposals (RFP) from qualified firms/individuals to create and implement a Driver Education Program for the Fulton County Finance department.

TIME AND DATE DUE:

Proposals will be received in the office of the Purchasing Agent, Fulton County Public Safety Building, Suite 1168, 130 Peachtree Street, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303, until 11:00 A. M., local time on, March 14, 2005. The last day for requests for information and/or clarification is March 4, 2005 at 3 pm.

DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS: Any proposals received after the above stated time and date will not be considered. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Proposer to have his/her proposal delivered to the Purchasing Department for receipt on or before the above stated time and date. If a proposal is sent by U. S. Mail, the Proposer shall be responsible for its timely delivery to the Purchasing Department. Proposals received after the afore stated date and time will not be considered, shall not be opened and arrangements shall be made for their return at the Proposer's request and expense.

SEALED AND MARKED: Five (5) signed copies of your proposal, and the original, shall be submitted in one (1) sealed package with the **cost proposal sealed separately**, from the rest of the proposals. The envelope/package shall be clearly marked on the outside: "Sealed Proposal" Driver Education Program RFP Number 05RFP42190YK addressed to:

Fulton County Purchasing Department
Public Safety Building
130 Peachtree Street, S. W. Suite 1168
Atlanta, GA 30303
Attn: Nancy Harrison, CPPB, Assistant Purchasing Agent

Proposals shall be publicly received, with only the names of the Proposers disclosed at the above stated date and time. Prospective Proposers are encouraged to register their firms on the COUNTY'S official Bidders list. Registration can be obtained from the COUNTY Purchasing Department (404) 730-5800.

LEGAL NAME: Proposals shall clearly indicate the legal name, address, and telephone number of the CONSULTANT (company, firm, partnership, and individual). Proposals shall be signed above the typed or printed name and title of the signer. The signer shall have the authority to bind the CONSULTANT to the submitted proposal.

CLARIFICATION AND ADDENDA: Each CONSULTANT shall examine all Requests for Proposals documents and shall judge all matters relating to the adequacy and accuracy of such documents. Any inquiries, suggestions or requests concerning interpretation, clarification or additional information pertaining to the Request for Proposals shall be made through the COUNTY Department of Purchasing to the Attention of Nancy Harrison, CPPB, Assistant Purchasing Agent. Ms. Harrison may be contacted via fax at (404) 893-1744 or e-mail at nancy.harrison@co.fulton.ga.us. Only communications from firms, which are in writing and signed, will be recognized by the COUNTY as duly authorized expressions on behalf of CONSULTANTS. The COUNTY shall not be responsible for oral interpretations given by any

COUNTY Employee, representative or others. The issuance of an addendum is the only official method whereby interpretation, clarification or additional information can be given.

If any addenda are issued to this Request for Qualifications, the COUNTY will attempt to notify all prospective CONSULTANTS. However, it shall be the responsibility of each CONSULTANT, prior to submitting their proposal, to contact the COUNTY Purchasing Department, Nancy Harrison, CPPB at (404) 730-4201 to determine if addenda were issued and to make such addenda a part of their proposal.

PROPOSAL EXPENSES: All expenses for making proposals to the COUNTY are to be borne by the CONSULTANT.

IRREVOCABLE OFFER: Any proposal may be withdrawn up until the date and time set above for receipt of proposals. Any proposal not so withdrawn shall, upon opening, constitute an irrevocable offer for a period of Ninety (90) days to furnish the COUNTY with the services set forth in the attached Scope of Work until a proposal has been duly submitted and accepted by the COUNTY Board of Commissioners. Board action on proposals will normally be taken within Ninety (90) days of receipt of proposal; however, no guarantee or representation is made herein as to the time between receipt of proposal and subsequent Board action.

RESERVED RIGHTS: The COUNTY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals, to waive irregularities and technicalities, and to request resubmission. Any sole response that is received by the first submission date may or may not be rejected by the COUNTY depending on available competition and timely needs of the COUNTY. There is no obligation on part of the COUNTY to award the contract to the lowest CONSULTANT and the COUNTY reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible CONSULTANT submitting a responsive proposal with a resulting Agreement which is most advantageous and in the best interest of the COUNTY. The COUNTY shall be the sole judge of the proposal and the resulting AGREEMENT that is in its best interest and its decision shall be final. Also, the COUNTY reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of any CONSULTANT to perform the Work or Service requested. Information the COUNTY deems necessary to make this determination shall be provided by the CONSULTANT. Such information may include, but shall not be limited to, current financial statement by an independent CPA; verification of availability or personnel; and past performance records.

APPLICABLE LAWS: All applicable laws and regulations of the State of Georgia and ordinances and regulations of the COUNTY shall apply. Protestors shall seek resolution of their complaints initially with the Purchasing Department.

CONTRACT DOCUMENT: Any Agreement or Contract resulting from the acceptance of a proposal shall be on a COUNTY document approved by the County Attorney. The COUNTY reserves the right to reject any Agreement, which does not conform, to the Request for Proposals and any COUNTY requirements for Agreements and Contracts.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Insurance must be written by a licensed agent in a company licensed to write insurance in the State of Georgia and acceptable to Fulton County. Insurance coverage must be current from time of award through the period of final acceptance from Fulton County. The following requirements shall apply.

- A. Policies and/or certificates certifying policies are to contain an agreement that the policies will not be changed and/or canceled without a ten (10) day prior notice to Fulton County, as evidenced by return receipts of registered or certified letters.
- B. Each respondent shall submit with the quote proof of insurance indicated below. The insurance shall be for the contract period.
- C. Respondent must maintain, at their expense, insurance in at least the following amounts and types.
- D. The Contractor shall insure that the Request for Bid/Proposal number and Project Description appears on the Certificate of Insurance.
- E. The Certificate of Insurance shall identify the Certificate Holder as:

Fulton County Government – Purchasing Department
 130 Peachtree Street, S.W.
 Suite 1168
 Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3459

1. WORKERS COMPENSATION – STATUTORY (In compliance with the Georgia Workers Compensation Act)

EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY	BY ACCIDENT - EACH ACCIDENT	-	\$500,000.
INSURANCE	BY DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	-	\$500,000.
(Aggregate)	BY DISEASE - EACH EMPLOYEE	-	\$500,000.

2. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (Including contractual Liability Insurance)

Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability	Each Occurrence	-	\$1,000,000.
(Other than Products/Completed Operations)	General Aggregate	-	\$2,000,000.
Products\Completed Operation	Aggregate Limit -		\$1,000,000.
Personal and Advertising Injury	Limits	-	\$1,000,000.
Fire Damage	Limits	-	\$ 100,000.

3. BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

Combined Single Limits	Each Occurrence	-	\$1,000,000
(Including operation of non-owned, owned, and hired automobiles).			

4. ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING LIABILITY

(Required if computer contractor)	Limits	-	\$1,000,000
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5. UMBRELLA LIABILITY

(In excess of above noted coverage's)	Each Occurrence	-	\$3,000,000
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6. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

	Each Occurrence	-	\$5,000,000
(Required if respondent providing quotation for professional services).			

7. FIDELITY BOND

(Employee Dishonesty)	Each Occurrence	-	\$ 100,000
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Insurance in no way Limits the Liability of the Respondent.

INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The successful contractor will agree to indemnify, save harmless and defend the County, its agents, servants, and employees from all lawsuits, claims, demands, liabilities, losses and expenses for or on account of any injury or loss in connection with the work performed under this contractor: Provided, however the contractor shall not be liable for any damages resulting from the sole negligent or intentional acts or omission of the County and its employees, agents or representatives.

PROGRAM SUMMARY:

The Driver Training Programs shall be provided with a broad training methodology that encompasses the following training methods:

- Instructor Lead Training
- Computer Based Training
- Simulator Based Training (Interactive with driver controlled outcomes)

The training program(s) shall be available to all Fulton County Government employees/drivers as designated by the Fulton County Government Risk Management Division. All training programs shall be available either at the service provider's facilities or a remote location selected by the County.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Driver Training Programs shall include a comprehensive curriculum that covers the safe operation of the following motor vehicle types:

- Passenger Cars
- SUV's
- Straight Trucks
- Police and Fire Vehicles
- Vans
- Tractor Trailers
- Ambulances

The course curriculum shall be able to address driver training / improvement with measurable results in the following areas:

- Circle of Influence (hazardous driving situations)
- Shifting Techniques (progressive shifting techniques)
- Fuel Management (maximizing MPG performance)
- Speed Management (speed, sight and stopping distance)
- Space Management (space ahead and behind cushions)
- Adverse Driving Conditions (reaction time-road surfaces)

The (annual) number of Fulton County Government employees participating in the driving simulation program is estimated at one hundred – fifty (150) to two hundred (200) drivers. The training courses shall be conducted on a quarterly basis, over a three (3) to five (5) day period.

The selected service provider shall have training facilities suitable to accommodate up to four (4) drivers per session. The number of training sessions required (per day) will be determined by the County, based on the actual number of participants. The course instructor shall provide each participant with a “course syllabus” prior to the start of each respective session.

Driver Training Simulator Equipment shall provide, but will not be limited to, the following equipment features:

- Multiple channel immersive driving environment
- State-of-the-art software resolution (minimum 60 Hz)
- Force loaded steering
- Multiple visual elements and training scenarios
- Driver selected special effects
- Multiple Simulator network capabilities

The selected service provider shall supply the County with a written report indicating the individual participant's performance in the each selected curriculum, which will include Instructor Lead, Computer Based and Simulator Based areas.

INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED: Failure to submit any required data item may be cause for rejection. CONSULTANTS may submit such other data as they deem appropriate; however, voluminous or overly elaborate proposals are discouraged.

Proposal information shall be submitted in the following format and include:

EXPERIENCE and QUALIFICATIONS (Weight 30%)

Organization Description

Identify whether the firm has the appropriate State and or Federal certifications and registrations to provide this type of training.

Provide a brief history of your firm. Provide a narrative of the organization, staffing experience, and persons assigned to this project. Specifically identify the primary person who will have day to day responsibility for the account. Provide resumes of professionals who would be assigned to the Fulton County project. The resumes should demonstrate the individuals' knowledge and experience relative to training of this type. (5 pages max)

Work History

In chart form beginning with 2001, present a chronological listing of similar training programs for which your firm served as Training director. List the name of the entity, number of employees trained, number and frequency of training classes. Identify the responsible person for each. (3 page max)

References

Provide a minimum of three (3) public-sector references, contacts and telephone numbers that may be contacted regarding the firm's performance. (1 page max)

Financial Statements

Provide an audited financial statement for the last two years by a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). **Note:** Please do not submit the Financial Statement in the same envelope with the Fee Proposal documents. Financial statements are to be submitted with the technical portion of the proposal (in a separate sealed envelope labeled Financial Statement).

WORK PLAN (Weight 40%)

Describe the approach/structure your firm would recommend for the driver training program. Discuss any potential issues which the County should be aware of before implementing this program.

COST PROPOSAL (Weight 20%)

Documentation will be required for all expenses.

LOCAL PREFERENCE (Weight 10%)**EVALUATION & SELECTION CRITERIA**

A duly appointed Evaluation Committee shall rank the proposals. The Committee will conduct an evaluation of proposals based on the evaluation criteria as follows:

Experience and Qualifications	Weight	30%
Work Plan Description	Weight	40%
Local Preference	Weight	10%
Cost Proposal	Weight	20%

Inquires may be conducted by the purchasing agent, in conjunction with the user department, with responsible offeror who submit proposals determined by the Purchasing Agent, and upon written recommendation of the Finance Department to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award; such discussions shall be for the purpose of clarification to assure full understanding of the responsiveness to the solicitation requirements. In conducting discussions, there shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by any competing offeror. Proposers who make offers shall be accorded fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of proposals; and such revisions may be permitted after submission and prior to award for the purpose of obtaining the best and final offers; provided that the County may reject all proposals if it shall deem it for the best interest of the County to do so. Proposers are not to initiate the above discussions unless and when so notified by the Fulton County Purchasing Department during the evaluation and selection process.

The county reserves the right to short list firms for this project.

The County reserves this right at its sole discretion to hold interviews with proposers on this project.

BASIS OF AWARD

The award of the contract shall be made by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County to the responsible offeror whose qualifications are determined, upon written recommendation by the

County Manager, the Purchasing Agent and the Finance Director, to be in the best interest of the County taking into consideration price and the evaluation factors set forth in the Request For Proposals.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Any offeror intending to respond to this solicitation as a joint venture agreement must submit an executed joint venture agreement with its offer. The agreement must designate those persons or entities authorized to execute documents or otherwise bind the joint venture in all transactions with Fulton County, or be accompanied by a document, binding upon the joint venture and its constituent members, making such designation. Offers from joint ventures that do not include these documents will be rejected as being non-responsive.

NO CONTACT DURING PROCUREMENT: EXCEPTIONS

In accordance with Fulton County Policy & Procedure 800-9, no person, firm, or business entity, however situated or composed, obtaining a copy of or responding to this solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communication regarding this solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative, between the date of the issuance of this solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, except as may otherwise be specifically authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation.

All verbal and written communications initiated by such person, firm, or entity regarding this solicitation, if same are authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation, shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.

Any violation of this prohibition of the initiation or continuation of verbal or written communications with County officers, elected officials, employees, or designated County representatives shall result in a written finding by the Purchasing Agent that the submitted bid or proposal of the person, firm, or entity in violation is not responsive, and same shall not be considered for award.

Between the date of the issuance of any solicitation of bids or proposals for County contracts and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of commissioners for award of the subject contract, no County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative, except in the course of carrying out obligations as a member of or designated advisor to a vendor selection committee acting accordance with the terms and conditions of the solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communications regarding the solicitation with any person, firm or business entity, however situated or composed, or any such representative of same, who the officer, elected official, employee, or representative knows or should have known has obtained a copy of the solicitation and either has submitted or may submit a bid or proposal; provided, further, except for members of or designated advisers to a vendor selection committee, no county officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative shall contact any member of such a vendor selection committee regarding a pending solicitation between the date of the issuance of the solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, and all inquiries during this period regarding the solicitation shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PROPOSER
(FC Sec 2-320, (11))

State of _____)

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County of _____)

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- (1) He is _____
(owner, partner officer, representative, or agent) of _____ the Proposer
that has submitted the Proposal;
- (2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the proposal and of all
pertinent circumstances respecting such proposal;
- (3) Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive of sham proposal;
- (4) Neither the said Proposer nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, _____ representatives,
employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired,
connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Proposer, firm or person to submit a
collusive or sham Proposal in connection with the Contract for which the proposal has been
submitted or refrain from submitting a proposal in connection with such Contract, or has in any
manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference
with any other Proposer, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the Proposal or of any other
proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the proposal price or the proposal price
of any other proposer, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful
agreement any advantage against Fulton County or any person interested in the proposed
Contract; and
- (5) The price or prices in the proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion,
Conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the proposer or any of its agents,
representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

(Signed) _____

Title

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____, 200____.

Title

My commission expires _____
(Date)

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR
(FC Sec 2-320, (11))

State of _____)

)ss.

County of _____)

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

- (1) He is _____
(owner, partner officer, representative, or agent)
of _____, hereinafter referred to as the "Subcontractor";
- (2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the Proposal submitted by the Subcontractor to _____, the Contractor for certain work connection with the _____ Contractor pertaining to the Project in Fulton County, Georgia.
- (3) Such Subcontractor's Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive of sham Proposal;
- (4) Neither the said Subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Proposer, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Proposal in connection with such Contract or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Proposer, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said Subcontractor's proposal, or to secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against Fulton County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
- (5) The price or prices in the Subcontractor's Proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Proposer or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

(Signed) _____

Title

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this ____ day of _____ 200____.

Title

My commission expires _____

(Date)

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

This is to certify that on this day, proposer acknowledges that he/she has read this proposal document, pages # _____ to # _____ inclusive, including any addenda # _____ to # _____ exhibit(s) # _____ to # _____, attachment(s) # _____ to # _____, and/or appendices # _____ to # _____, in its entirety, and agrees that no pages or parts of the document have been omitted, that he/she understands, accepts and agrees to fully comply with the requirements therein, and that the undersigned is authorized by the proposing company to submit the proposal herein and to legally obligate the proposer thereto.

Company:

Signature:

Name:

Title: _____ Date:

(CORPORATE SEAL)

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FORM 99-RFP

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PERTAINS TO THE SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL TO FULTON COUNTY, AND CONTAINS INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW PROPOSALS MUST BE PRESENTED IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. IF SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OR INSTRUCTIONS IN THE TEXT OF THE RFP CONFLICT WITH THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED HERE, THOSE CONDITIONS OR INSTRUCTIONS IN THE RFP SHALL PREVAIL.

1. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE ATTACHED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) MUST BE FORMATTED AS SPECIFIED IN THE RFP. ADDITIONAL SHEETS, LITERATURE, ETC. SHOULD BE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED.
2. THE ORIGINAL AND THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF COPIES OF THE PROPOSAL MUST BE RETURNED TO:
FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT
FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
130 PEACHTREE STREET, S.W., SUITE 1168
ATLANTA, GA. 30303
3. THE ENVELOPE IN WHICH THE PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED MUST BE SEALED AND CLEARLY LABELED WITH THE RFP NAME AND NUMBER, DUE DATE AND TIME, AND THE NAME OF THE COMPANY OR INDIVIDUAL SUBMITTING THE PROPOSAL. PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OPENING DATE AND TIME SHOWN ON THIS RFP IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. THE PURCHASING AGENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO OPEN ANY PROPOSAL WHICH IS NOT MARKED AS SPECIFIED.
4. PROPOSALS RECEIVED AFTER THE TIME AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY NOT BE OPENED OR CONSIDERED.
5. BY SUBMITTING A SIGNED PROPOSAL, RESPONDENT AGREES TO ACCEPT AN AWARD MADE AS A RESULT OF THE SUBMISSION OF THE PRICES AND TERMS CONTAINED IN THAT PROPOSAL. PRICES PROPOSED MUST BE AUDITED BY THE RESPONDENT TO INSURE CORRECTNESS BEFORE PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED. PERSON SIGNING THE PROPOSAL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACCURACY OF INFORMATION IN IT. THE RESPONDENT UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THAT THE PROPOSAL, SPECIFICATIONS, PROVISIONS, AND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RFP BECOME A VALID CONTRACT BETWEEN FULTON COUNTY AND THE RESPONDENT UPON NOTICE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT IN WRITING AND/OR ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER.
6. ANY CONTRACT AWARDED AS A RESULT OF THIS PROPOSAL SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH ALL LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS.
7. THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS.
8. ABSOLUTELY NO FAX PROPOSALS OR REPRODUCTION PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED, EXCEPT THAT IF MULTIPLE COPIES OF THE PROPOSAL ARE REQUIRED, PHOTO-COPIES OF THE ORIGINAL MAY BE SUBMITTED AS THE EXTRA COPIES, PROVIDED THAT THEY ARE CLEARLY MARKED AS SUCH.

9. TYPE OR NEATLY PRINT COMPANY NAME, AS WELL AS THE FULL LEGAL NAME AND TITLE OF THE PERSON SIGNING THE PROPOSAL, IN ALL APPROPRIATE PLACES. THE RESPONDENT'S SIGNATURE MUST BE EXECUTED BY A PRINCIPAL OF THE COMPANY DULY AUTHORIZED TO MAKE CONTRACTS AND BIND THE COMPANY TO ALL TERMS BEING PROPOSED.
10. PROPOSALS MAY BE WITHDRAWN UPON RECEIPT OF A WRITTEN REQUEST PRIOR TO THE STATED DUE DATE AND TIME. IF A FIRM SEEKS TO WITHDRAW A PROPOSAL AFTER THE DUE DATE AND TIME, THE FIRM MUST PRESENT A NOTARIZED STATEMENT INDICATING THAT AN ERROR WAS MADE, WITH AN EXPLANATION OF HOW IT OCCURRED. THE WITHDRAWAL REQUEST MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING THE CLAIM. PRIOR TO APPROVING OR DISAPPROVING THE REQUEST, AN OPINION WILL BE OBTAINED FROM FULTON COUNTY'S LEGAL COUNSEL INDICATING WHETHER THE FIRM IS BOUND BY ITS PROPOSAL.
11. SHOW INFORMATION AND PRICES IN THE FORMAT REQUESTED. PRICES ARE TO BE QUOTED F.O.B. DESTINATION, AND MUST INCLUDE ALL COSTS CHARGEABLE TO THE CONTRACTOR IN EXECUTING THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING TAXES. UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE CONTRACT, FULTON COUNTY SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY FOR ANY COST NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE FULTON COUNTY THE BENEFIT THROUGH A REDUCTION IN PRICE OF ANY DECREASE IN THE CONTRACTOR'S COSTS BY REASON OF ANY TAX EXEMPTION BASED UPON FULTON COUNTY'S STATUS AS A TAX-EXEMPT ENTITY.
12. PROPOSE ALL ITEMS AS SPECIFIED OR INDICATE UNDER EACH ITEM WHAT ALTERNATIVE IS BEING PROPOSED AND WHY IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN LIEU OF THE ORIGINAL SPECIFICATION. FAILURE TO INDICATE ANY EXCEPTIONS SHALL BE INTERPRETED AS THE RESPONDENT'S INTENT TO FULLY COMPLY WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS AS WRITTEN. CONDITIONAL OR QUALIFIED PROPOSALS - EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY ALLOWED IN THE SPECIFICATIONS - ARE SUBJECT TO REJECTION IN WHOLE OR IN PART.
13. FULTON COUNTY SHALL BE THE SOLE JUDGE OF THE QUALITY AND THE APPLICABILITY OF ALL PROPOSALS. DESIGN, FEATURES, OVERALL QUALITY, LOCAL FACILITIES, TERMS, AND OTHER PERTINENT CONSIDERATIONS WILL BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN DETERMINING ACCEPTABILITY.
14. THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR MUST ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DELIVERY OF ALL GOODS AND SERVICES PROPOSED AND AGREE TO RELIEVE FULTON COUNTY OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND COSTS FOR PROSECUTING CLAIMS.
15. THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR MUST ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR RE-PLACEMENT OF ALL DEFECTIVE OR DAMAGED GOODS AND/OR PERFORMANCE OF CONTRACTED SERVICES WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS NOTICE BY THE COUNTY OF SUCH DEFECT, DAMAGE, OR DEFICIENCY.
16. THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR MUST ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING WARRANTY SERVICE ON ANY AND ALL GOODS, MATERIALS, OR EQUIPMENT PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY WITH WARRANTY COVERAGE. SHOULD A VENDOR BE OTHER THAN THE MANUFACTURER, THE VENDOR AND NOT THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTING THE MANUFACTURER. THE VENDOR IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING FOR THE SERVICE TO BE PERFORMED.
17. THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPER

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL USED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SERVICES PROPOSED.

18. THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL NOT ASSIGN, TRANSFER, CONVEY, SUBLET, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THE RFP OR OF ANY OR ALL OF ITS RIGHTS, TITLE, OR INTEREST THEREIN WITHOUT PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
19. PROPOSALS MUST CONTAIN REFERENCES WHICH REFLECT SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CONTRACTS FOR THE TYPES OF GOODS, MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, OR SERVICES FOR WHICH THE VENDOR IS SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL TO THE COUNTY. IN INSTANCES WHERE THAT DOES NOT APPLY, THE PROPOSAL MUST CONTAIN A STATEMENT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION DEMONSTRATING SUCH EXPERTISE, KNOWLEDGE, OR EXPERIENCE TO ESTABLISH THE VENDOR SUBMITTING THE PROPOSAL AS CAPABLE OF MEETING THE DEMANDS OF THE PROPOSAL SHOULD AN AWARD BE MADE TO THEM.
20. VENDORS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS MAY BE REQUIRED TO FURNISH EVIDENCE THAT THEY MAINTAIN PERMANENT PLACES OF BUSINESS OF A TYPE AND NATURE COMPATIBLE WITH THEIR PROPOSAL, AND ARE IN ALL RESPECTS COMPETENT AND ELIGIBLE VENDORS, ABLE TO FULFILL THE TERMS OF THE SPECIFICATIONS. FULTON COUNTY MAY MAKE SUCH INVESTIGATIONS AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO DETERMINE THE ABILITY OF THE RESPONDENT TO PERFORM SUCH WORK, AND RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY PROPOSAL IF EVIDENCE FAILS TO INDICATE THAT THE PROPOSED VENDOR IS QUALIFIED TO CARRY OUT THE OBLIGATION OF THE CONTRACT AND TO COMPLETE THE WORK SATISFACTORILY.
21. BY SUBMITTING A SIGNED PROPOSAL, RESPONDENT CERTIFIES THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO COLLUSION WITH ANY OTHER RESPONDENT. REASONABLE GROUNDS FOR BELIEVING RESPONDENT HAS AN INTEREST IN MORE THAN ONE PROPOSAL WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF ALL PROPOSALS IN WHICH THE RESPONDENT HAS AN INTEREST. ANY PARTY TO COLLUSION MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN FUTURE PROPOSALS FOR THE SAME OR SIMILAR WORK.
22. UPON NOTICE OF SELECTION, THE VENDOR SUBMITTING THE PROPOSAL IS OBLIGATED TO PERFORM. SHOULD A SUCCESSFUL VENDOR REFUSE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT SUBSEQUENT TO AN AWARD, A PENALTY MAY BE ASSESSED AND/OR THE VENDOR MAY BE FOUND TO BE "NOT RESPONSIBLE" IN THE FUTURE.
23. IN CASE OF DEFAULT BY THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR, FULTON COUNTY MAY PROCURE THE ARTICLES OR SERVICES FROM ANOTHER SOURCE AND HOLD THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY RESULTANT EXCESS COST.
24. SUCCESSFUL VENDORS CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH THE COUNTY AND ARE THE PARTY OR PARTIES OBLIGATED TO PERFORM. CONTRACTS MAY NOT BE ASSIGNED AND ANY FAILURE TO PERFORM THE CONTRACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS WILL CONSTITUTE A BREACH OF CONTRACT AND MAY RESULT IN A VENDOR BEING FOUND TO BE "NOT RESPONSIBLE" IN THE FUTURE.
25. INVOICE(S) MUST LIST EACH ITEM SEPARATELY AND MUST SHOW FULTON COUNTY'S PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER AS WELL AS THE PROPER DEPARTMENT AND ADDRESS TO WHOM THE SERVICE OR PRODUCT WAS PROVIDED.
26. FULTON COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS, OR ANY PART THEREOF, AND TO WAIVE ANY TECHNICALITIES. FULTON COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AWARD A CONTRACT BASED ON THIS REQUEST

FOR PROPOSAL AND THE PROPOSAL(S) RECEIVED - IN WHOLE OR IN PART - TO ONE OR SEVERAL VENDORS.

27. AWARDS WILL NOT NECESSARILY BE BASED ON COST ALONE. OTHER FACTORS, AS DETAILED IN THE RFP, WILL BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING WHAT PROPOSAL WILL BE DEEMED TO BEST MEET THE NEEDS OF FULTON COUNTY.
28. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO FURNISH A PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME, PLEASE RETURN A COPY OF THE RFP AND STATE ON IT AND ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE THAT YOU ARE SUBMITTING A "NO RESPONSE". STATE IN THE RESPONSE WHETHER YOUR COMPANY WISHES TO REMAIN ON FULTON COUNTY'S VENDOR LIST.
29. ALL PROPOSALS AND BIDS SUBMITTED TO FULTON COUNTY ARE SUBJECT TO THE GEORGIA "OPEN RECORDS ACT", O.C.G.A. §50-18-70 ET SEQ.
30. ALL PROPOSALS AND BIDS SUBMITTED TO FULTON COUNTY INVOLVING UTILITY CONTRACTING ARE SUBJECT TO THE GEORGIA LAW GOVERNING LICENSING OF UTILITY CONTRACTORS AND RFP CLOSING PROCEDURES, O.C.G.A. 43-14-8.2 (H).
31. PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY WORK, SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR WILL FURNISH TO FULTON COUNTY (FOR THE CONTRACTING FIRM AND FOR ANY SUBCONTRACTORS) A CERTIFICATE FROM AN INSURANCE COMPANY SHOWING ISSUANCE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR THE STATE OF GEORGIA OR A CERTIFICATE FROM THE GEORGIA WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD SHOWING PROOF OF ABILITY TO PAY COMPENSATION DIRECTLY.
32. NO PERSON, FIRM, OR BUSINESS ENTITY, HOWEVER SITUATED OR COMPOSED, OBTAINING A COPY OF OR RESPONDING TO THIS SOLICITATION, SHALL INITIATE OR CONTINUE ANY VERBAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATION REGARDING THIS SOLICITATION WITH ANY COUNTY OFFICER, ELECTED OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, OR DESIGNATED COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE, BETWEEN THE DATE OF THE ISSUANCE OF THIS SOLICITATION AND THE DATE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR AWARD OF THE SUBJECT CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS MAY OTHERWISE BE SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED AND PERMITTED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION.
33. ALL VERBAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS INITIATED BY SUCH PERSON, FIRM, OR ENTITY REGARDING THIS SOLICITATION, IF SAME ARE AUTHORIZED AND PERMITTED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION, SHALL BE DIRECTED TO THE PURCHASING AGENT.
34. ANY VIOLATION OF THIS PROHIBITION OF THE INITIATION OR CONTINUATION OF VERBAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS WITH COUNTY OFFICERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, OR DESIGNATED COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES SHALL RESULT IN A WRITTEN FINDING BY THE PURCHASING AGENT THAT THE SUBMITTED BID OR PROPOSAL OF THE PERSON, FIRM, OR ENTITY IN VIOLATION IS NOT RESPONSIVE, AND SAME SHALL NOT THEREAFTER BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.
35. ANY OFFEROR INTENDING TO RESPOND TO THIS SOLICITATION AS A JOINT VENTURE MUST SUBMIT AN EXECUTED JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT WITH THIS OFFER. THIS AGREEMENT MUST DESIGNATE THOSE PERSONS OR ENTITIES AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS OR OTHERWISE BIND THE JOINT VENTURE IN ALL TRANSACTIONS WITH FULTON COUNTY, OR BE ACCOMPANIED BY A DOCUMENT, BINDING UPON THE JOINT VENTURE AND ITS CONSISTENT MEMBERS, MAKING SUCH

DESIGNATION. OFFERS FROM JOINT VENTURES THAT DO NOT INCLUDE THESE DOCUMENTS WILL BE REJECTED AS BEING NON-RESPONSIVE.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

- (1) THE BIDDER CERTIFIES, BY SUBMISSION OF THIS BID OR PROPOSAL THAT NEITHER IT OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS IS PRESENTLY DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, PROPOSED FOR DEBARMENT, DECLARED INELIGIBLE, OR VOLUNTARILY EXCLUDED FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE TRANSACTION BY THE FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT.
- (2) WHERE THE VENDOR IS UNABLE TO CERTIFY TO ANY OF THE STATEMENTS IN THIS CERTIFICATION, SUCH VENDOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR SHALL ATTACH AN EXPLANATION TO THIS BID OR PROPOSAL.

SIGNATURE

DATE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

- (1) BY SIGNING AND SUBMITTING THIS PROPOSAL, THE BIDDER IS PROVIDING THE CERTIFICATION SET OUT BELOW.
- (2) THE CERTIFICATION IN THIS CLAUSE IS A MATERIAL REPRESENTATION OF FACT UPON WHICH RELIANCE WILL BE HEREIN PLACED IN AWARDED A CONTRACT. IF IT IS LATER DETERMINED THAT THE PROSPECTIVE VENDOR KNOWINGLY RENDERED AN ERRONEOUS CERTIFICATION, IN ADDITION TO OTHER REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO FULTON COUNTY, THE DEPARTMENT WITH WHICH THE TRANSACTION ORIGINATED MAY PURSUE AVAILABLE REMEDIES, INCLUDING SUSPENSION AND/OR DEBARMENT, FOR WITHDRAWAL OF AWARD OR TERMINATION OF A CONTRACT.
- (3) THE BIDDER SHALL PROVIDE IMMEDIATE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PURCHASING AGENT TO WHOM THIS BID/PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED IF AT ANYTIME THE BIDDER LEARNS THAT ITS CERTIFICATION WAS ERRONEOUS WHEN SUBMITTED OR HAS BECOME ERRONEOUS BY REASON OF CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES.

(FC CODE SEC. 2-322. DEBARMENT). (A) AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND. AFTER REASONABLE NOTICE TO THE ENTITY INVOLVED AND REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT ENTITY TO BE HEARD, THE PURCHASING AGENT, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH USER DEPARTMENT, THE COUNTY MANAGER AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND AN ENTITY FOR CAUSE FROM CONSIDERATION FOR AWARD OF COUNTY CONTRACTS. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE TERM ENTITY MEANS ANY BUSINESS ENTITY, INDIVIDUAL, FIRM, CONTRACTOR, SUBCONTRACTOR OR BUSINESS CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION, OR JOINT VENTURE, HOWEVER DESIGNATED OR STRUCTURED; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT ANY SUCH ENTITY SHALL ALSO BE SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION UNDER THIS SECTION IF ANY OF ITS CONSTITUENTS, MEMBERS, SUBCONTRACTORS AT ANY TIER OF SUCH ENTITY'S CONSTITUENTS OR MEMBERS, IS FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED ANY ACT CONSTITUTING A CAUSE FOR SUSPENSION AND THE ENTITY, OR ANY CONSTITUENT OR MEMBER, KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN OF THE COMMISSION OF THE ACT. THE SUSPENSION SHALL BE FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS UNLESS CAUSE IS BASED ON A FELONY CONVICTION FOR AN OFFENSE RELATED OR ASSOCIATED WITH FRAUDULENT CONTRACTING OR MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS WHEREIN THE SUSPENSION SHALL NOT EXCEED SEVEN YEARS.

(B) CAUSES FOR SUSPENSION. THE CAUSES FOR SUSPENSION INCLUDE:

(1) CONVICTION FOR COMMISSION OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE AS AN INCIDENT TO OBTAIN OR ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE CONTRACT OR SUB-CONTRACT, OR IN PERFORMANCE OF SUCH CONTRACT OR SUB-CONTRACT;

(2) CONVICTION OF STATE OR FEDERAL STATUTES OF EMBEZZLEMENT, THEFT, FORGERY, BRIBERY, FALSIFICATION OR DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS, RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY OR OTHER OFFENSE INDICATING A LACK OF BUSINESS INTEGRITY OR BUSINESS HONESTY WHICH CURRENTLY, SERIOUSLY AND DIRECTLY AFFECTS RESPONSIBILITY AS A COUNTY CONTRACTOR;

(3) CONVICTION OF STATE OR FEDERAL ANTI-TRUST STATUTES ARISING OUT OF THE SOLICITATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS AND PROPOSALS;

(4) VIOLATION OF CONTRACT PROVISIONS, AS SET FORTH BELOW, OF A CHARACTER WHICH IS REGARDED BY THE PURCHASING AGENT TO BE SO SERIOUS AS TO JUSTIFY SUSPENSION ACTION;

A. FAILURE TO PERFORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS WITHIN A TIME LIMIT PROVIDED IN A COUNTY CONTRACT;

B. A RECENT RECORD OF FAILURE TO PERFORM OR UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF ONE OR MORE CONTRACTS; PROVIDED, THAT FAILURE TO PERFORM OR UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE CAUSED BY ACTS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED TO BE BASIS FOR SUSPENSION;

C. MATERIAL MISREPRESENTATION OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE OWNERSHIP OR WORKFORCE OR BUSINESS ENTITY CERTIFIED TO THE COUNTY AS A MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE; OR

D. FALSIFICATION OF ANY DOCUMENTS.

(5) COMMISSION OR SOLICITATION OF ANY ACT THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS SET FORTH IN FULTON COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS.

(6) KNOWING misrepresentation to the county, of the use which a majority owned contractor intends to make a minority business enterprise (a business entity at least 51 percent of which is owned and controlled by minority persons, as defined in Fulton County Code Chapter 6, Article B, Minority Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Program and certified as such by the county), as a sub-contractor or a joint venture partner, in performing work under contract with the county.

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

Policy Statement: It is the policy of Fulton County Government that discrimination against businesses by reason of the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of any such business is prohibited. Furthermore, it is the policy of the Board of Commissioners that Fulton County Government and all vendors and contractors doing business with Fulton County shall provide to all businesses the opportunity to participate in contracting and procurement paid, in whole or in part, with monetary appropriations of the Board without regard to the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of any such business. Similarly, it is the policy of Fulton County Government that the contracting and procurement practices of Fulton County Government should not implicate Fulton County as either an active or passive participant in the discriminatory practices engaged in by private contractors or vendors who seek to obtain contracts with Fulton County.

Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan): In addition to the proposal submission requirements, each vendor **must** submit an Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan) with the bid. The respondent **must** outline a plan of action to encourage and achieve diversity and equality in the available procurement and contracting opportunities with this solicitation. The Plan should be designed to enhance the utilization of racial, gender or ethnic groups.

The Plan **must** identify and include:

1. Potential opportunities within the scope of work of this solicitation that will be afforded to racial, gender or ethnic groups for participation in the solicitation.
2. Efforts that will be identified to encourage and solicit minority and female businesses for opportunities within this solicitation.

Fulton County encourages joint ventures, teaming, partnering and mentor-protégé relationships with minority and female businesses in an effort to achieve contracting and procurement diversity.

Prompt Payment: The prime contractor **must** certify in writing and **must** document on the Department of Contract Compliance's Exhibit G Form (Prime Contractor/Subcontractor Utilization Report) that all subcontractors, sub-consultants and suppliers have been promptly paid for work and materials and previous progress payments received (less any retainage by the prime contractor prior to receipt of any further progress payments). In the event the prime contractor is unable to pay subcontractors, sub-consultants or suppliers until receipt of a payment from Fulton County, the prime contractor shall pay funds due from said progress payments within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of payment from Fulton County and in no event later than fifteen (15) days as provided for by state law.

COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES:

In order to be compliant with the intent and provisions of the Non-Discrimination Ordinance providing for non-discrimination in purchasing and contracting in Fulton County, **bidders must submit the following completed documents.** Failure to provide this information shall result in the Bid being deemed non-responsive:

- < Promise of Non-Discrimination (Exhibit A)
- < Employment Report (Exhibit B)
- < Schedule of Intended Subcontractor Utilization (Exhibit C)
- < Letter of Intent to Perform As a Subcontractor or Provide Materials or Services (Exhibit D)
- < Declaration Regarding Subcontractor Practices (Exhibit E), if applicable
- < Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit (Exhibit F), if applicable
- < **Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan)**

The following document **must** be completed as instructed if awarded the bid:

- < Prime Contractor's Subcontractor Utilization Report (Exhibit G)

EXHIBIT A – PROMISE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

"Know all persons by these presents, that I/WE (_____),
Name

(_____)
Title Firm Name

Hereinafter "Company"), in consideration of the privilege to bid on or obtain contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Fulton County, hereby consent, covenant and agree as follows:

- 1) No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, or otherwise discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin or gender in connection with any bid submitted to Fulton County for the performance of any resulting therefrom,
- 2) That it is and shall be the policy of this Company to provide equal opportunity to all businesses seeking to contract or otherwise interested in contracting with this Company without regard to the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of this business,
- 3) That the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be continuing in nature and shall remain in full force and effect without interruption,
- 4) That the promise of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be made a part of, and incorporated by reference into, any contract or portion thereof which this Company may hereafter obtain,
- 5) That the failure of this Company to satisfactorily discharge any of the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall constitute a material breach of contract entitling the Board to declare the contract in default and to exercise any and all applicable rights and remedies, including but not limited to cancellation of the contract, termination of the contract, suspension and debarment from future contracting opportunities, and withholding and/or forfeiture of compensation due and owing on a contract; and
- 6) That the bidder shall provide such information as may be required by the Director of Contract Compliance pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Fulton County Non-Discrimination in Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance.

SIGNATURE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EXHIBIT B – EMPLOYMENT REPORT

The demographic employment make-up for the bidder must be identified and submitted with this bid. In addition, if subcontractors will be utilized by the bidder to complete this project, then the demographic employment make-up of the subcontractor(s) must be identified and submitted with this bid.

EMPLOYEES												
CATEGORY	NATIVE INDIAN		AFRICAN AMERICAN		ASIAN AMERICAN		HISPANIC AMERICAN		CACUSIAN AMERICAN		OTHER	
Male/Female	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Mgmt/Official												
Professional (Arch., P.E., etc.)												
Supervisors												
Office/Sales Clerical												
Craftsmen												
Laborers												
Others (Specify)												
TOTALS												

FIRM'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

This completed form is for (Check one) _____ Bidder _____ Subcontractor

Date Completed: _____

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

If the bidder intends to subcontract any portion of this scope of work/service(s), this form **must be** completed and **submitted with the bid**. All prime bidders **must** include Letter(s) of Intent (Exhibit D) in the bid document for all subcontractors who will be utilized under the scope of work/services.

PRIME BIDDER: _____

ITB/RFP NUMBER: _____

Project Name or Description of Work/Service(s) _____

1. My firm, as Prime Bidder on this scope of work/service(s) is _____ is not _____ a minority or female owned and controlled business. (Please indicate below the portion of work, including, percentage of bid amount that your firm will carry out directly):

If the Prime Bidder is a Joint Venture, please complete Exhibit F: Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit.

2. Sub-Contractors (Including suppliers) to be utilized in the performance of this scope of work/service(s), if awarded, are:

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBE); **If yes, attach copy of recent certification letter.**

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBF); **If yes, attach copy of recent certification letter.**

EXHIBIT C – SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

Total Dollar Value of Small Business Enterprise Agreements: (\$)

Total Percentage Value: (%)

CERTIFICATION: The undersigned certifies that he/she has read, understands and agrees to be bound by the Bid provisions, including the accompanying Exhibits and other terms and conditions regarding subcontractor utilization. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is legally authorized by the Bidder to make the statement and representation in this Exhibit and that said statements and representations are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. The undersigned understands and agrees that if any of the statements and representations are made by the Bidder knowing them to be false, or if there is a failure of the intentions, objectives and commitments set forth herein without prior approval of the Owner, then in any such event the Contractor's acts or failure to act, as the case may be, shall constitute a material breach of the contract, entitling the Owner to terminate the Contract for default. The right to so terminate shall be in addition to, and in lieu of, any other rights and remedies the Owner may have for other defaults under the contract.

Signature/Title:_____

Firm or Corporate Name:_____

Address:_____

Telephone: ()_____

Fax Number: ()_____

Email Address:_____

EXHIBIT D

LETTER OF INTENT TO PERFORM AS A SUBCONTRACTOR OR

PROVIDE MATERIALS OR SERVICES

This form **must** be completed by **ALL** known subcontractors/suppliers and submitted with the bid. The Prime Contractor **must** submit Letters of Intent for ALL known subcontractors/suppliers at time of bid submission.

To: _____
(Name of Prime Contractor Firm)

From: _____
(Name of Subcontractor Firm)

ITB/RFP Number _____

Project Name _____

The undersigned is prepared to perform the following described work or provide materials or services in connection with the above project (specify in detail particular work items, materials, or services to be performed or provided):

Description of Work	Project Commence Date	Project Completion Date	Estimated Dollar Amount

(Prime Bidder)

(Subcontractor)

Signature _____

Signature _____

Title _____

Title _____

Date _____

Date _____

EXHIBIT E – DECLARATION REGARDING SUBCONTRACTING PRACTICES

If the bidder **does not intend to subcontract** any portion of the scope of work services(s), this form **must be** completed and submitted with the bid.

_____ hereby declares
that it is my/our intent to perform 100% of the work required for _____
(ITB/RFP Number)

(Description of Work)

In making this declaration, the bidder states the following:

1. That the bidder does not customarily subcontract elements of this type project, and normally performs and has the capability to perform and will perform **all elements** of the work on this project with his/her own current work forces;
2. If it should become necessary to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date, the bidder will comply with all requirements of the County's Non-Discrimination Ordinance in providing equal opportunities to all firms to subcontract the work. The determination to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date shall be made in good faith and the County reserves the right to require additional information to substantiate a bidder's decision to subcontract work following the award of the contract. Nothing contained in this provision shall be employed to circumvent the spirit and intent of the County's Non-Discrimination Ordinances;
3. The bidder will provide, upon request, information sufficient for the County to verify Item Number one.

AUTHORIZED COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

Name: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

RFP No. _____

Project Name _____

This form must be completed and submitted with the bid if a Joint Venture approach is to be undertaken.

The firms listed below do hereby declare that they have entered into a joint venture agreement pursuant to the above mentioned project. The information requested below is to clearly identify and explain the extent of participation of each firm in the proposed joint venture. All items must be properly addressed before the business entity can be evaluated.

Firms:

1) Name of Business: _____
Street Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

2) Name of Business: _____

Street Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

3) Name of Business: _____
Street Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
County: _____

Nature of Business: _____

NAME OF JOINT VENTURE (If applicable): _____

PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

OFFICE PHONE: _____

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

Note: Attach additional sheets as required

1. Describe the capital contributions by each joint venturer and accounting thereof. Indicate the percentage make-up for each joint venture partner.
2. Describe the financial controls of the joint venture, e.g., will a separate cost center be established? Which venturer will be responsible for keeping the books? How will the expense therefore be reimbursed? What is the authority of each joint venture to commit or obligate the order?
3. Describe any ownership, options for ownership, or loans between the joint ventures. Identify terms thereof.
4. Describe the estimate contract cash flow for each joint venturer.
5. To what extent and by whom will the on-site work be supervised?
6. To what extent and by whom will the administrative office be supervised?
7. Which joint venturer will be responsible for material purchases including the estimated cost thereof? How will the purchase be financed?
8. Which joint venturer will provide equipment? What is the estimated cost thereof? How will the equipment be financed?
9. Describe the experience and business qualifications of each joint venturer.
10. Submit a copy of all joint venture agreements and evidence of authority to do business in the State of Georgia as well as locally, to include all necessary business licenses.
11. Percent of ownership by each joint venture in terms of profit and loss sharing: _____

12. The authority of each joint venturer to commit or obligate the other: _____

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

13. Number of personnel to be involved in project, their crafts and positions and whether they are employees of the small business enterprise, the majority firm or the joint venture: _____

14. Identification of control and participation in venture; list those individuals who are responsible for day-to-day management and policy decision-maker, including, but not limited to, those with prime responsibility for areas designated below; (use additional sheets if necessary)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Financial Decisions</u>	<u>Supervision Field Operation</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

In connection with any work that these firms, as a joint venture, might be authorized to perform in connection with above captioned contract, we each do hereby authorize representatives of the Fulton County Department of Contract Compliance, Departments of Purchasing and Finance, under the direction of the County Manger's Office, to examine, from time to time, the books, records and files to the extent that such relate to this County project.

WE DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, AND THAT WE ARE AUTHORIZED, ON BEHALF OF THE AVOVE FIRMS, TO MAKE THIS AFFIDAVIT AND GRANT THE ABOVE PRIVILEGE.

FOR: _____
(Company)

Date: _____

(Signature of Affiant)

(Printed Name)

Date: _____

(Company)

(Signature of Affiant)

(Printed Name)

Date: _____

(Company)

(Signature of Affiant)

(Printed Name)

EXHIBIT F – JOINT VENURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____:

County of _____:

On this day of _____, 20_____,

before me, appeared _____,

_____, the
aforementioned officers, personally appeared known to me to be an authorized company
representative described in the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledge that he (she) executed the
same in the capacity therein stated and for the purpose therein contained.

Notary Public

(Notary Seal)

Signature

Commission Expires

EXHIBIT G – PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION REPORT

This report is required to be submitted by the tenth day of each month, with a copy of your payment invoice (schedule of values/payment application) to Contract Compliance. Failure to comply may result in the County commencing proceedings to impose sanctions on the successful bidder, in addition to purchasing any other available legal remedy. Sanctions may include the suspending of any payment or part thereof, termination or cancellation of the contract, and the denial to participate in any future contracts awarded by Fulton County.

REPORTING PERIOD		PROJECT NAME:	
FROM:		PROJECT NUMBER:	
TO:		PROJECT LOCATION:	

PRIME CONTRACTOR		Contract Award Date	Contract Award Amount	Change Order Amount	Contract Period	% Complete to Date
Name:						
Address:						
Telephone #:						

AMOUNT OF REQUISITION THIS PERIOD:\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUISITION TO DATE:\$ _____

SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION (add additional rows as necessary)

Name of Sub-contractor	Description of Work	Contract Amount	Amount Paid To Date	Amount Requisition This Period	Contract Period	
					Starting Date	Ending Date
TOTALS						

Executed By: _____
(Signature)

(Printed Name)

